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## New commander takes helm at MCLB *Thompson receives colors from Bergman during ceremony*

By Pfc. Nich R. Babb  
Combat Correspondent

Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow received a new base commander during a public ceremony held Tuesday at Sorensen Field.

Col. Steven J. Thompson replaced Col. Liz Bergman, who transferred to the logistics department of the Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Naval Air Station North Island in San Diego.

"I have been honored to lead this organization, and be a part of such a great team, it has been an absolute pleasure to come into work everyday and work with the wonderful people of MCLB Barstow," said Bergman.

"I want to sincerely thank the Marines, sailors and civilian employees of MCLB Barstow for the decisions you make every day that impact the success of the base. It is those daily efforts, those independent actions, large and small, that allow the base to succeed at its mission. You each have my thanks for a job well done," she said.

Col. Thompson then addressed the crowd.

"To all the Marines, sailors, civilian Marines and the commu-

nity of Barstow, I truly look forward to being a part of the Barstow Team. Col. Bergman and the staff have set the bar high, but like many generations of Marines before me, we will do our best to keep raising that bar," he said.

Thompson's previous assignments include assistant chief of staff of operations for the 2nd Force Service Support Group at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C., and the 3rd FSSG, Okinawa, Japan.

He was the assistant chief of staff of logistics for Marine Corps Base Camp Butler, Okinawa, and the humanitarian assistance and logistics plans officer for the U.S. European Command, headquartered in Stuttgart, Germany.

Thompson holds a bachelor's degree from Appalachian State University, Boone, N.C., and is a graduate of the Marine Corps Ground Supply Officers Course, Amphibious Warfare School, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and the Air War College Seminar.

His awards include two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, two Meritorious Service Medals and the Navy Commendation Medal.



Photo by Pfc. Nich R. Babb

MCLB Barstow's new commanding officer, Col. Steven J. Thompson returns the base colors to Sgt. Maj. Taulago Niusulu after receiving them from Col. Liz Bergman. The passing of the colors signifies the change of command from the outgoing to the incoming commanding officer. **For more photos, see Pages 8 and 9.**

## MCLB's base housing pet policy a privilege

By Lance Cpl. Ashley Warden  
Combat Correspondent

Privileges are often easily given throughout the Marine Corps. Just as easily, these privileges can be taken away if Marines, civilians or base employees do not abide by rules set forth by the command.

Bringing and owning an animal aboard MCLB Barstow comes with certain rules and regulations from the commanding officer that must be followed.

"Basically, for you to have an animal on base it's not a right, it's a privilege," said Gunnery Sgt. Edward Jones, base housing chief. "(If regulations are not followed) you face the risk of not only losing your dog, but being evicted."

According to Base Order P 11101.20A, the

privilege is dependent upon the ability of the animal to live in harmony with the military community. "The right of all military family housing residents to be free from nuisance, trespass and menace is superior to the owner's privilege of keeping an animal."

A maximum of two pets per family is allowed, but only common pets such as dogs, cats, hamsters and birds are permitted. Animals such as reptiles, rabbits and other exotics are prohibited.

"The purpose of these regulations is so that we can have some kind of control of pets on base and ensure the safety of the residents," said Jones. No control could lead to no shots and exotic pets, he said.

Further regulations have been implemented when it comes to the ownership of potentially

dangerous dogs. Families with the possession of a dangerous dog are allowed only one and are not authorized to possess another dog, regardless of breed, states BO P11101.20A.

Potentially dangerous animals, as defined in the base order, are any animal that the veterinarian, base inspector or other competent authority determines may present an unreasonable risk to the health and safety of those residing or working in or around base housing or aboard the base.

There is a way to get around this regulation though. Residents can write a letter to the commanding officer, requesting to have a docile temperament test performed, said Jones. During this test, the resident brings the dog up to the inspector on a leash. The inspector will stick out his hand as if to pet the

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# Vehicle crashes threaten lives

## National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Press Release

Downed helicopters, rocket-propelled grenades, and roadside ambushes remain serious concerns to U.S. soldiers in Iraq. What many soldiers stateside don't realize is that at home, the greatest threat to their lives is much more mundane, but equally or even more dangerous —the private motor vehicle crash.

In fact, America loses the equivalent of one battalion every year to mostly preventable traffic crashes, many of which involve alcohol. Last year, the military lost 310 service members and employees to car crashes alone, a rise of 30 percent from the previous year.

These service members die not for their country, but in spite of our best efforts to protect them.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation,

automobile crashes are the leading cause of death nationwide for all people ages 18-34 years old. "Preventing automobile crashes is a top priority for President Bush and Transportation Secretary Mineta," said NHTSA Administrator Jeffrey W. Runge, M.D. "The key to our success lies with convincing young people to buckle up and to not drive impaired."

As part of the Bush Administration's challenge to all government agencies to reduce work related traffic crashes and injuries, the Pentagon began reviewing traffic statistics for each service.

Statistics show that 284 service members died in private motor vehicle crashes in 2003.

Though 82 of those deaths came from crashes involving motorcycles, many deaths were linked simply to impaired driving and the failure to wear safety belts.

From 2002 to 2003, deaths from private car crashes rose for the Army, fell for the Marines, and remained stable for the

Navy and Air Force.

Concerned about the safety of military personnel on our roadways, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has partnered with Secretary Norman Mineta to reduce the military's traffic crashes by 50 percent across the services during the next two years.

Secretary Rumsfeld has charged the Defense Safety Oversight Council to develop an information system that would provide real-time reporting of mishaps, as well as analysis and strategies for prevention. The Pentagon says that a prototype of the system will be operational by 2005.

DSOC intends to reduce non-combat casualties to 12.5 deaths and 70 injuries per 100,000 personnel per year by 2004—preventing 155 traffic deaths per year.

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# July 4: Think about freedom

By Lt. Cmdr. Randel Livingood  
Base Chaplain



This is the 4th of July weekend and it seems appropriate to say something about freedom in today's article.

I am sure that we have all been watching our news over the last year or so and have seen many dramatic changes in our nation. For many, this is the first taste of armed conflict they have seen, for others, it is a reminder of old wounds now opened afresh.

We have recently had the opportunity to honor our World War II veterans with a memorial and we took a few moments as a nation to say thank you.

We said thank you to myriad of things as we honored those brave souls, but what we said thank you for in the most part was for providing us with freedom.

These were people who lied about their age to get into the fight rather than lying about their age to get out of it. These were people who really understood what it meant to be patriotic and were unashamed of their

devotion to their country.

When I think of all they endured in order to maintain my freedom I am in awe. I also am very much indebted to the current generation of military personnel who are daily in harms way fighting for our freedom and the freedom of others.

For seemingly simple things that you and I take for granted people are giving their lives.

Things like the right to vote, the right to educate everyone regardless of any cultural, societal, or sexual differences. Things like being able to disagree with someone's political views and not end up in front of a firing squad or torture chamber. These are everyday events that we in America expect and even demand.

The thought that we might not have these rights is repugnant to us and would generate such foment that there would undoubtedly be upheaval. All of these military people and civilians alike who are fighting for the freedom of others truly deserve our gratitude.

We owe them a debt that we will never be able to repay unless we too are willing to give our own lives for others. The challenge is that on this fourth of July weekend we will no doubt see many people who either do not understand the price of freedom or do not know what it means not to be free demeaning

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## Just did my job ...



Photo by Lance Cpl. Ashley Wardeb

Master Sgt. Dave Vanhovel, MCLB Barstow's base inspector, retired Friday after 27 years of active duty service in the Marine Corps. Vanhovel said he is looking forward to continuing his work as the base inspector while serving as a civilian Marine. Vanhovel was awarded a Meritorious Service Medal at the ceremony for his accomplishments during his five years at MCLB Barstow.

### Chapel Services

Protestant Sun. 8:30 a.m.

### Catholic Rosary

Bible study will now be held at the Colonel's Workshop, Building 573 Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For more information, call 577-6849.



Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, California  
Colonel Steven J. Thompson, Commanding Officer

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Family Restaurant and Cactus Cafe Lunch Menu

Unless otherwise indicated lunch menus for the Family Restaurant, Cactus Cafe and the Lanzer Lounge are the same. Lunch menus are subject to change.

*Today* – Chicken cordon bleu.

*Friday* – Breakfast and lunch menu service.

*Monday* – Menu service at Family Restaurant from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Tuesday* – Chicken cacciatore.

*Wednesday* – Beef and vegetable pot roast.

Active duty military \$3.25, all others, including civilians \$4.75.

Lunch entrees include roll/butter, vegetable, coffee, tea or soft drink.

Lunch hours: Family Restaurant: 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cactus Cafe: 11 a.m. to noon. Lanzer Lounge: 11:30 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call 577-6428.

Breakfast

Breakfast at the Family Restaurant is from 5:30 to 7:30 a.m. and at the Cactus Cafe from 5:30 to 6:30 a.m. Prices: Active duty military \$1.60, all others \$3.25.

Family Night Dining

*Tonight* – Beef Roast Night! Beef roast carved on line, mashed potatoes and gravy, tossed green salad, dessert and fountain drink of your choice. Family Night dinners are served at the Family Restaurant every Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Prices are the same for military and civilian: \$6 adults, \$4 children (5-11 years). Children under 5 years dine free.

Celebrity Basketball Game

A free to military personnel NBA Celebrity Basketball Game is slated July 10 at Edwards Air Force Base, hangar number 1600. The game starts at 2 p.m. Watch the stars play -- Bill Belamy (Fast Lane, How to be a Player), Ice Cube(Friday, Barbershop), Karl Malone(LA Lakers) and Brian McKnight (R&B star) to name a few.

Job Watch

Annc No.	Title/Series/Grade	Open	Close	1st Cutoff	Location
SW0525-CE	Accounting Technician (OA) GS-0525-05 (SUMMER HIRE)	06-10-04	open cont.	N/A	MCLB Barstow
SW0303-CE	Clerk GS-0303-03 (SUMMER HIRE)	06-10-04	open cont.	N/A	MCLB Barstow
SW0326-CE	Administrative Support Clerk GS-0303-04 (SUMMER HIRE)	06-10-04	open cont.	N/A	MCLB Barstow
SW3502-CE	Laborer WG-3502-02 (SUMMER HIRE)	06-10-04	open cont.	N/A	MCLB Barstow

Applicants interested in the above positions should submit resumes online at the following Web sites: <http://www.donhr.navy.mil> or <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>. For information regarding Open Continuous announcements point your browser to <http://www.donhr.navy.mil>. For more information concerning job announcements visit the Self-Service Center, Building 236, Mondays through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or call the Human Resources Office at 577-6357/6279/6481. This is not an official list. Please see the Web sites listed for a complete list.

For more information, contact Sgt. Alex Arrieta, Single Marine Program vice president, at 577-6114/6494, or Melissa L. Ackman, commercial sponsorship coordinator, Edwards AFB, at (661)277-3802.

Leave Sharing Program

Lance W. Kemock, Installation and Logistics Department, Nancy J. Derryberry, Administration and Support Department, have been affected by medical emergencies and are in need of leave donations.

Anyone desiring to donate leave may do so under the Leave Sharing Program by filling out a leave donor application, available from department/section heads. For more information, contact Donna Wilder at 577-6638, or Johnnie Curtis at 577-6734.

Michael Anderson, Badge #3443, Maintenance Center has been affected by medical emergencies and is in need of leave donations.

Anyone desiring to donate leave may do so under the Leave Sharing Program by filling out a leave donor application, available from department/section heads.

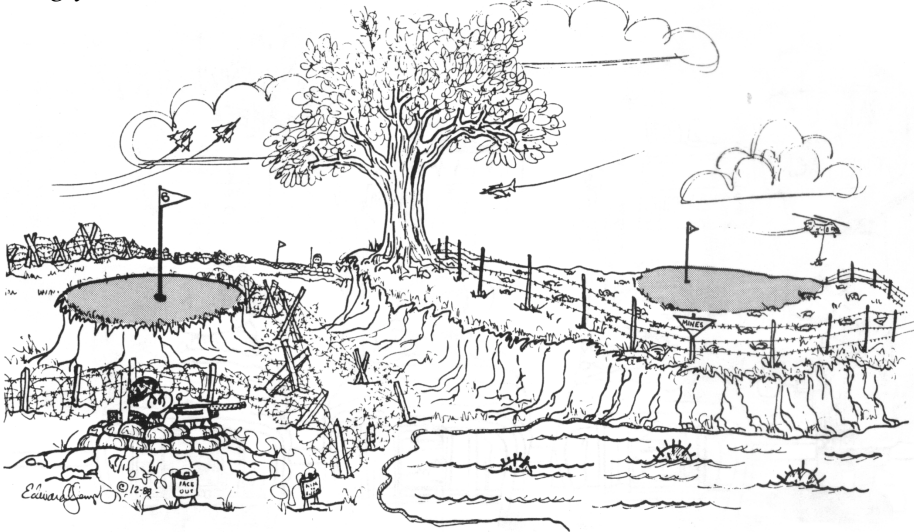
For more information, contact Pat Snyderat 577-7138.

Safety Shoes

Safety shoes will be available for purchase on 7 July at the Yermo parking lot in front of Bldg. 573 from 7 to 11 a.m. and Nebo parking lot across from Bldg. 236 from 12 to 1 p.m.

101 things you should never ask a Marine to do

By E. Temple



Never ask a Marine to build a golf course.

Fireworks banned on base, in Barstow

Compiled by Barstow Log Staff

Sunday is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and traditionally many Americans celebrate their freedom and independence with barbeques, picnics and family gatherings.

Some patriots may even have plans to purchase and play with personal fireworks.

But fireworks are not toys. They can cause deaths, blinding, and other severe injuries.

On a typical Independence Day, fireworks cause more fires in the United States than all other causes

combined, according to the National Fire Protection Association Web site.

Not only are fireworks risky, personal fireworks are also illegal to possess and use on base and in and near Barstow, according to Fire Chief Robert Wyman, Fire and Emergency Services Division here, and Division Chief Sal Corrao, Fire Prevention with the Barstow Fire Protection District. Possession of any type of fireworks, including “safe and sane,” in any unincorporated area of San Bernardino County, is illegal, according to a San Bernardino County Press Release.

Fireworks will be confiscated and citations may be issued.

In the event a fire occurs due to the unsafe use of fireworks, the individual may be criminally charged and responsible for restitution.

Since the use of all personal fireworks is prohibited, the only fireworks show people may legally enjoy in the Barstow Area is the public fireworks display at Barstow City’s 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Spectacular, “A Salute to Heroes” event, at the Sportspark, 2800 Mayor Katy Parkway, at 9 p.m. Sunday.

# PCSing to another command?

## *Residents must clear housing first!*

By Rob L. Jackson  
BARSTOW LOG Staff

For many people this time of year means summer vacation, heading to the beach, or just taking time off to relax and spend some quality time with the family.

But for most military personnel this time of year means receiving permanent change of station orders and checking out of one command before heading to another. Perhaps the most time consuming part of checking out of a command is clearing base housing, which requires leaving the home nearly Inspector General-level clean, before reclaiming one's Basic Allowance for Housing. One of the first steps in the process of clearing housing is stopping by the housing office to fill out a "Notice of Intent to Vacate" form, explains Shirley Sherrod, MCLB Barstow's housing management assistant.

"We recommend that the personnel checking out give us a 30-day notice," she said. "If for

some reason they are unable to give 30 days, as soon as they know they're going to be clearing housing they need to come to our office."

At that time housing will give the residents cleaning papers. The residents have two options to clear housing available to them. The first option is cleaning the house themselves, at which time they will receive a copy of chapter four of the Military Family Housing Manual, the military housing cleaning guide, or hiring a cleaning service. Should the residents choose the first option and clean the house themselves, housing personnel will schedule a preliminary inspection and brief the residents on the cleaning process. During the preliminary inspection the housing official will do a walk-through with the resident and go down the list of the cleaning instructions and the different appliances and the overall structure of the house, Sherrod explained. "We'll cover all the different requirements to clean that house," she said. "That's to

clean the inside as well as the outside, you're also responsible for your grounds." Since each dwelling comes with a garage residents are responsible for also cleaning the garage, the recycling bin and trash receptacles that belong to the house. "Basically we explain to the resident that this is a thorough cleaning and we do emphasize the detailed cleaning," Sherrod revealed. "We go over the different rooms with them, especially the appliances. We explain how the appliances should be cleaned and what things they should stay away from using on the ranges, refrigerators and dishwashers." Once the preliminary inspection is completed a final inspection is scheduled, if the individuals know when they are looking to clear housing. From the time the preliminary inspection is completed the resident has five working days to complete the cleaning process, according to Sherrod. Should the residents decide not to clean the

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Photo by Curt Lambert

The winner of the May Officer's Quarters of the Month contest was 1911-A Soissons Street, maintained by CWO Scott R. Stevens. Stevens is pictured here with his wife, Deanna (left), and then base commander Col. Liz Bergman.



## May Enlisted, SNCO Quarters of the Month winners



Photo by Curt Lambert

Army Staff Sgt. John Lovito of 1607-A/B Tulagi Street was May's Staff NCO Quarters of the Month winner. Lovito is pictured here with Col. Liz Bergman, then base commander. For his relentless efforts raking, watering, mowing, picking, weeding and caring for the area around his quarters, Lovito received a plant and gift certificate.



Photo by Curt Lambert

Sgt. Juan Calderon with then base commander Col. Liz Bergman, proudly displays his award certifying his housing domicile at 1926-A Soissons Street as the May Enlisted Quarters of the Month. Calderon received a plant for his efforts, which rests on the ground near his feet in this photo.

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house then they can use what is termed a Pay and Go, the second option. The process is nearly the same in that the residents schedule a preliminary inspection and at that time the housing official will explain the requirements of using the Pay and Go.

"We meet them (the residents) at the home and brief them on the requirements of a Pay and Go," she said. "We provide the resident with a list of all the certified cleaners."

"We recommend they go down the list and call as many cleaners as they can because the cleaners' prices vary," she emphasized. Once the resident has contacted a cleaner of their choice, the cleaning service will meet the residents at their home with a contract. Once the two parties have agreed upon a price the residents and the cleaning service representative will sign a contract. The residents will then take the contract along with a money order or certified check, payable to the cleaning service, to the housing office prior to the final inspection.

"The resident still stands the final inspection," Sherrod emphasized. "They have the option of hiring a cleaner, but the resident still has a final inspection that they must stand." The resident's final inspection includes making sure everything is out of the house, all trash is picked up and the home once vacated has been swept clean. During the final inspection, the housing office will walk through the home with the residents making sure the house is empty of a personal items, the garage is cleared and the grounds are void of all trash. When the inspection is completed and the housing official is satisfied that the residents have fulfilled their require-

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dog, and if the dog snaps it will be labeled potentially dangerous.

If a report is made against a potentially dangerous dog, at the commanding officer’s discretion, residents can be forced to get rid of the animal or vacate base housing, said Jones.

In order to have an animal on base, a pet agreement form must be completed at the housing office within three days of the pet’s arrival on base.

Dogs and cats must also be registered with the Pass and Identification section, with continuing registration each year there after.

“The purpose of registration on base is to make sure that all animals have shots, that they are up to date and keep record of the number of pets,” said Jones.

“Most people don’t take it seriously what goes into having a dog,” said Jones. There is a big problem with young Marines getting animals but aren’t financially stable and don’t have money for shots, he said.

This is a way to ensure that pet owners are taking their animals in to get the proper vaccinations.

Residents with dogs must also build a fence to contain the animal. The housing office has paperwork that gives instructions on how to build a fence as well as the certain regulations the base has set forth, said Jones.

“The fence must be completed 90 days from the day you get on base,” said Jones.

While in housing, dogs must be on a leash and with an owner or adult or contained within a fence, said Jones.

“If the resident knows a dog is running loose, they can call the MPs,” said Jones.

Pet owners not following the regulations will get three chances to correct the offense. After the first misconduct, the owner will receive a warning from the housing office, said Jones. The second is also a warning but is accompanied by a letter from the base inspector and commanding officer, which states what happened and a deadline to correct the behavior or show improvement. If this continues, the third phase of action is eviction with no chance of moving back into base housing.

Another area that presents a problem is owners not picking up after their pets when they take them on a walk. Owners are responsible for picking up after their pets and penalties are present if someone is caught not picking up after their animal.

These rules and regulations have been instilled for a reason. “People should abide by the policy so they can keep the community safe,” said Jones.

For more information on pet policy and base housing regulations, contact Jones at 577-6871.

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Impaired Driving

Though all types of people drink and drive, researchers say a common drunk driver is the younger man, aged 18 to 29, who takes risks and is a “sensation seeker”—exactly the kind of person fit for military duty.

Moreover, the military employs large

numbers of men aged 18 to 34, which is the age group most likely to be involved in alcohol-related crashes.

While service members might believe they are invincible behind the wheel, many impaired driving fatalities last year involved drivers who had merely drank the legal limit. In fact, more than 15,000 Americans died in crashes last year in which the most impaired driver “blew” a .08 BAC (blood alcohol content)—an intoxication level many service members might underestimate.

Yet, the military has made inroads since the 1980s, when as many as 700 sailors, soldiers, airmen, Marines and civilian personnel died every year in private automobile crashes. The Marines, for example, now enforce standardized safety belt regulations and teach driver-improvement classes to new recruits, while the Army seeks to identify soldiers who are most inclined to drink and drive, reaching out to them with educational materials and briefings.

In addition to year-round programs, the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration encourages bases to be particularly involved during the year-end holiday season, when many impaired driving deaths occur.

This year, we are calling upon all members of the military family to take personal responsibility for their safety and that of others on the road.

We encourage military service members and employees to designate a sober driver ahead of time, utilize the *MCLB Barstow Arrive Alive Program*, or, arrange to picked up by a friend.

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the efforts of the people I have been speaking of in this article. They may not understand because they have never had to live in the shadow of a dictator’s oppression. They may not understand because they have never had family members executed because they did publicly avow the dictator’s policy. They may not understand because they have never had to personally fight in order to achieve freedom for themselves or their family members or their country. Certainly, it is in the crucible of despair when freedom becomes the most precious; when people begin to see just how much their freedom is worth; and how that if everyone is not free no one is free. Only then can we begin to understand how precious a gift we have been given. So this weekend as the barbeques are warming, the fireworks are flying, and the flags are being saluted, take a moment to recall the name of someone who is serving in the cause of freedom and whisper a quiet thank you on their behalf.

Peace,  
Fr Randel

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ments, then the residents will receive their housing voucher clearing them of housing and they are done. The house keys are returned to the housing office and the residents are well on their way to the next assignment. For more detailed information on clearing base housing check Base Order 11101.21 or call Shirley Sherrod at 577-6873.

# HM1 wins Senior Sailor of the Quarter honors

By Pfc. Nich R. Babb  
Combat Correspondent

Healing unhealthy Marines and sailors might be “all in a day’s work” to some corpsmen in the U.S. Navy, but to the Senior Sailor of the Quarter at the MCLB Barstow Branch Medical Clinic, getting the job done is a passion that further accomplishes the mission of the Marine Corps.

Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Allan L. Maluto, leading petty officer here and supervisor for 21 junior enlisted personnel at the clinic, has earned the title of Senior Sailor of the Quarter for this passed quarter.

Maluto was born in the Philippines Nov. 29, 1964, and before he joined the Navy took college classes in business administration at the Philippine Christian University located in his home country, he said.

Maluto joined the Navy to tap into the many opportunities that the United States has to offer, he said.

At the time of his enlistment he could not become an officer due to being a non-citizen, but he is proud to have joined the

Navy regardless. Maluto is married to Hanneli Cariaga and is the father of two daughters, a 13-year-old named Klarissa Mae, and an eight-year-old named Gabrielle.

In November 1986 he attended Navy recruit training at the Naval Training Center in San Diego.

Following his graduation, he was sent to the Naval School of Health and Sciences, also located in San Diego.

In 1990 he was stationed with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., as a field corpsman.

During this time his unit was deployed to the Middle East to participate in the Persian Gulf War.

Being deployed is not easy, said Maluto. A deployment for a Navy corpsman is full of



HM1 Allan Maluto

casualties, depressing pictures of wounded troops and trying to save lives. Faced with constant tragedy, the hardest thing to endure was leaving his family behind without them knowing what was going to happen next, he said.

Just recently Maluto was deployed again to Iraq in the beginning months of Operation Iraqi Freedom, he said. He went with 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, which was given a

Presidential Unit Citation for their accomplishments there.

For his situational efforts while being deployed, Maluto was also awarded a Combat Action Ribbon with one gold star in lieu of second award.

In addition, Maluto holds an associate’s degree as a medical laboratory technician, which he received from Washington

University. Maluto has spent most of his career working in Marine units, he said. He spent five years at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, which is his favorite place he has been. Maluto said he enjoyed it, because he liked observing the intricate process of transforming a motivated civilian into a hard-charging Marine.

At first, Maluto felt surprised when he was told he won the award, but despite his feelings, he thought that he did rightfully earn and deserve the award, he said.

“I think that it is great to be recognized,” exclaimed Maluto.

Since Maluto is usually the one who nominates sailors for the junior and blue jacket awards, he has some advice for other sailors who want to be recognized. He says that the secret is to stay positive while doing a task, and to make sure to complete the mission to the best of their ability.

Maluto plans on retiring in two years after completing a 20-year career, and is looking forward to staying in the San Diego area to continue his work in the field of medicine.



*A Barstow Log tribute ...*

# Hail Col. Thompson, farewell, Col. Bergman



Photo by Pfc. Nich R. Babb

Sitting in the reviewing stand watching the ceremony is (from right to left) Col. Rob Gerlaugh, commander, Maintenance Center Barstow, Thompson's son Gregory, his mother Mrs. Stefania Thompson, Col. Steven J. Thompson and his wife Mrs. Jan Thompson, Col. Liz Bergman with her husband Mr. Joseph P. Bynum Jr., and Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Harold Mashburn.

The only mounted color guard in the Marine Corps salutes as they stride past Col. Steven J. Thompson and Col. Liz Bergman during Tuesday's change of command ceremony pass in review.

Photo by Curt Lambert



Outgoing commanding MCLB Barstow's new change of command ceremony

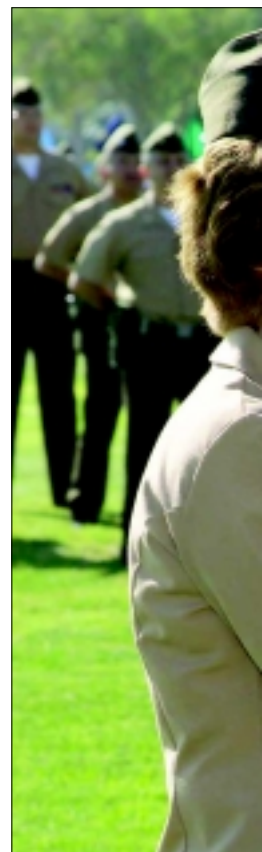






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officer Col. Liz Bergman and Col. Steven J. Thompson, commanding officer, salute near the conclusion of Tuesday's ceremony.

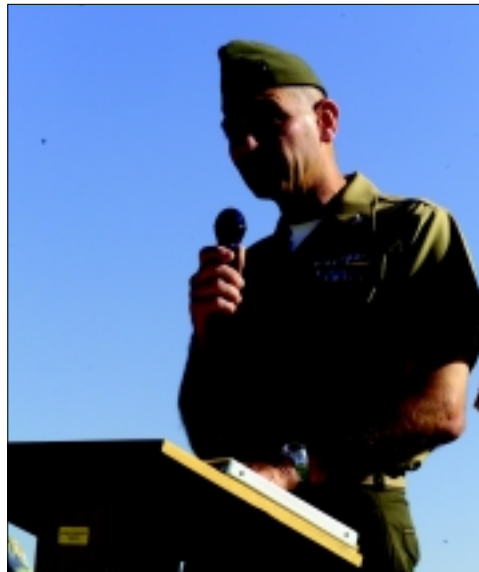


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Col. Steven J. Thompson, MCLB Barstow's new base commander, delivered his first words to base personnel including Marines, sailors and civilian Marines during the change of command ceremony Tuesday, held at Sorensen Feild here. "To all the Marines, sailors, civilian Marines and the community of Barstow, I truly look forward to being a part of the Barstow Team," he said.



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Headquarters Battalion Marines stand at parade rest during Tuesday's change of command ceremony at Sorensen Field. The troops were outfitted with M16A2 service rifles and cartrige belts for the special occaision, in which Col. Steven J. Thompson assumed command of MCLB Barstow.



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Above: Maj. Antonio Martinez commands "eyes, right" to senior staff personnel as they pass in reveiw of Col. Steven J. Thompson, MCLB Barstow's new base commander, and Col. Liz Bergman, former base commander during the change of command ceremony Tuesday at Sorensen Field.

Left: Outgoing base commander Col. Liz Bergman addresses MCLB Barstow base personnel for her last time during the change of command ceremony Tuesday at Sorensen Field. "I want to sincerely thank the Marines, sailors and civilian employees of MCLB Barstow for the decisions you make every day that impact the success of the base," she said.

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MCCS Publicity

### **BBQs and beverages**

Ready for the Fourth of July weekend? Check this out - make that weekend better with 10 percent off all beverages (non alcoholic) and 10 percent off all barbecue grills and supplies during the Super Seven Store's All-American Sale. This sale runs from July first through the fifth.

Mid-Summer Evening Specials every Monday and Tuesday throughout July from 6 to 9 p.m. save 10 percent to 25 percent off on sale items - look for "Happy Face" balloons marking the sale items.

For more information call 256-8974.

The Super Seven Store and Gas Station hours are: Mondays through

Fridays, 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Credit card sales for gas at the pumps are 24/7.

### **Club activities**

At the Oasis Club this week: Tonight is Happy Hour from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tomorrow is TGIFriday Family Night. Next Tuesday is Burn Your Own Steak Night, and Wednesday is Movie Night. At the Enlisted Club this week: Monday is darts, pool and TV.

Tuesday is Karaoke Night, Wednesday features Midweek Relaxation Hour from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday is darts, pool and TV. Friday is TGIFriday Night. Saturday and Sunday are Bar and Grill Nights.

For more information call 577-6418

### **Movies on the patio**

Free movies every Wednesday at the Enlisted Club on the patio. Bring your own chairs or blanket and picnic dinner and take in a movie.

Wednesday's movie is "The Bourne Identity". The film is rated PG13, the length of the film is one hour and 58 minutes. Movies begin at dusk. Movies will be shown inside the Enlisted Club in case of inclement weather. For more information call 577-6817.

### **Good grade students**

Students in grades 6-12 with a grade average of B or better are invited to come to your Marine Corps Exchange for a chance to win prizes, gift certificates and savings bonds. Students must be an eligible patron of the MCX whose parents or guardians either live or work on MCLB Barstow. Please call 256-8974 for more information.

### **Pool Party**

Presented by Semper Fit - 101 Days of Summer, SAAC and SMP. The party begins Today at 4 p.m. and continues to 7. Military and civilian personnel are Welcome.

### **Everything must go!**

The Wood-Rock Hobby Shop is having a Clearance Sale. Everything is 50 percent off! Great buys from the Wood Hobby Shop: stains, varnishes, antiquing kits, steel casters, hinges and more.

From the Rock Hobby Shop: clocks, clock motors, buckles, pendants, bolo slides, horse pins and more. Drop by and look over these great bargains.

Call 577-6692 for more information.

### **Do-it-yourself Auto Shop**

Save money and time with do-it-yourself auto work. Jason Linville is back at the Auto Hobby Shop with his knowledge and experience to assist and advise you in whatever you undertake - oil change, tire rotation and major repairs. All the tools and equipment you will need are there already. The Auto Hobby Shop is open Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Give Jason a call at 577-6441.

### **MCCS Independence Day holiday hours:**

#### **MCCS facilities open Monday:**

Semper Fit: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Super Seven Store & Gas Station: 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.

+ credit card 24/7 at Gas Station.

Tees & Trees Golf Course: 7 a.m.- 7 p.m.

Holiday menu service at Family Restaurant

9 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### **All other MCCS Facilities will be closed Monday.**

#### **Additional closures:**

Hobby Shops & Bowling Center will also be closed Sunday.





# BARSTOW LOG Reader Survey

Please complete the form below and drop it off at the Public Affairs Office, located in the Green Wing of Building 15, by July 9, 2004.

People who prefer to submit an electronic form may download a fill-in PDF file from <https://www.barstow.usmc.mil/survey> and send the PDF file with saved changes via e-mail to the following e-mail address: **editor@barstow.usmc.mil**.

We will not obtain personal information about you when you submit the survey unless you choose to provide such information to us. If you choose to submit this form, any contact information you provide will be solely used to respond to your request and not stored. If you have any questions regarding this form, please call **(760) 577-6430**.

1. Unit (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Work section (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

3. Duty status (circle one):    Active Duty    Civilian employee    Family member    Military retiree    Reserve military

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(1 is the lowest quality, and 10 is the highest quality.)

1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9    10

13. Please indicate how often you read the Barstow Log (circle one):    Every Week    Often    Once in a while    Never

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